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Pic of the Week



Councilmember Huizar joined in the grand opening of the Hotel Indigo in South Park, which brings 350 needed hotel rooms to the Convention Center area and furthers the revitalization of DTLA. It's amazing to think that just a decade ago, Downtown closed at dusk - now it's a dynamic community and economic driver for the region. This hotel is part of Greenland USA's larger Metropolis Project, which will bring jobs, retail, residential and hotel units to our city. *To submit a Pic of the Week, please email megan.teramoto@lacity.org.*

Huizar Legislation Declares Shelter Crisis & Requests Mental Health Strategies to Address Homelessness

A week after he helped lead the effort to expand the definition of a shelter crisis by removing restrictions dictating that one could only occur during winter months, at night and for 120 days, Councilmember Huizar co-introduced a motion today that declares a shelter crisis outside the boundaries of the previous restrictions.

The Huizar motion also further allows non-profit organizations and faith-based institutions the right to provide shelter without an onerous and costly process, as well as authorizes the use of city-owned property and facilities for emergency shelters. The motion will be sent to the Homelessness & Poverty Committee before returning before the full City Council.

And funding to keep four emergency shelters operating through June 30, 2017 was identified in a separate motion by Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson. That motion also called for a report from the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) on whether recently approved Measure H monies could fund emergency shelters in the City of Los Angeles year-round beginning in fiscal year 2017-18.

And Councilmember Huizar introduced another motion, recognizing that a significant portion of the homeless crisis is really a mental-health crisis, with a third of our homeless population suffering from mental-health illness. Huizar is calling for a status report on effective programming, such as Skid Row's City-County-Community C3 program - a collaboration that Huizar helped create between the City and County, which executes intensive daily outreach and is resulting in people experiencing homelessness receiving services, most importantly housing. Huizar's motion requests mental health assistance reports from the City's Homeless Coordinator, County Department of Mental Health & Children & Family Services, LAPD, and others, about strategies to address one of the single most challenging issues in addressing homelessness.

Councilmember Huizar Talks Civic Center Master Plan With KPCC's Larry Mantle



Photo: KPCC

Councilmember Huizar appeared on KPCC's Larry Mantle's [AirTalk](#) to discuss the Councilmember's plan to reimagine the Civic Center through his Civic Center Master Plan, turning the City's center into a 24-hour experience, complete with office space, housing, retail and plaza and public space. Listen to the report [here!](#)

City Honors Make-A-Wish Los Angeles



Councilmember Huizar gave thanks to Make-A-Wish Greater Los Angeles for granting wishes to kids with life-threatening illnesses for 34 years. Make-A-Wish LA needs volunteers, especially Spanish-speakers - go to la.wish.org for more info!

2017 Los Angeles Asian Pacific Film Festival Kick-Off Party



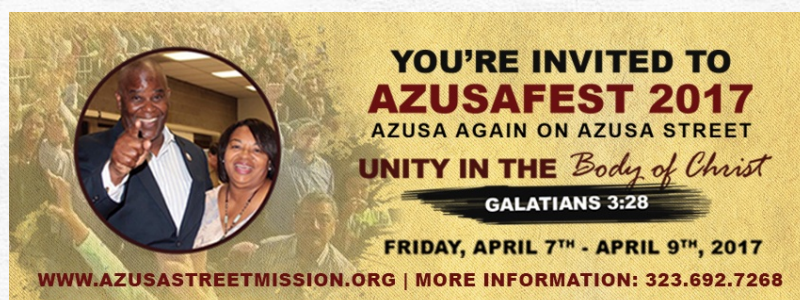
When: Friday, April 7th, 6-9pm

Location: Pico House, 424 N Main St, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Admission: Click [here](http://vconline.org/kickoff2017) for to purchase tickets and for more information

Join us as we kick off the 33rd Los Angeles Asian Pacific Film Festival! Celebrate with good food, music, and people. During the event, guests are free to enter the Chinese American Museum to view their newest exhibit, Roots: Asian American Movements in Los Angeles 1968-80s. The 33rd Los Angeles Asian Pacific Film Festival will take place from April 27 - May 4 in venues in DTLA, Koreatown and West Hollywood.

Azusafest 2017

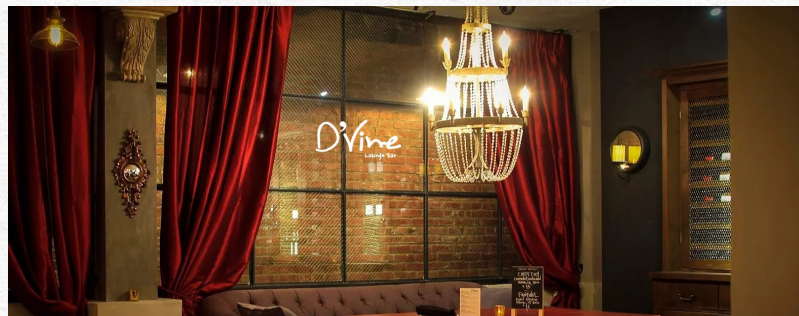


[Register and see schedule here](#)

Dolores Huerta's Birthday Celebration



Contemporary Violinist Alan Price Performs Live at D'Vine



When: Saturday, April 8, 2017 8:30PM-10:30PM

Where: D'Vine, 821 S Flower St, Los Angeles, 90017

Admission: FREE

Contemporary violinist Alan Price will perform covers and original works at D'Vine Weekly Live Music on April 8th. Enjoy rare wines, great food and live entertainment at D'Vine Lounge Bar. The concert is free; food and beverages are available for purchase.



When: Saturday, April 8, 2017 1PM-5PM

Where: Sci-Arc, 960 E 3rd St, Los Angeles, 90013

Admission: FREE

Join the [AWA+D.Los Angeles](#) at the Kappe Library at SCI-Arc for a Women in Architecture [#wikiD](#) writing workshop, a global campaign for improving and increasing Wikipedia articles pertaining to the lives and works of women in architecture and the built environment. This workshop is part of the annual Art+Feminism global initiative. Guest speaker is Julia Donoho, AIA, Esq, a passionate advocate for diversity, inclusion, and equity in the design profession.

The workshop will include Wikipedia training followed by entry writing. Bring your laptop, power cord, and published information (bio, books, articles, etc.) about women whom you would like to write about. You will also have access to resources and collections at the Kappe Library.

Community Calendar

DOWNTOWN LA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING

2nd Tuesday of every month | 6:30 pm

Palace Theatre

630 S. Broadway

ART WALK DTLA

2nd Thursday of every month | 12 pm - 10 pm

Historic Core: Between 4th & 7th and Spring & Main St.

ARTS DISTRICT FARMERS MARKET

Every Saturday | 10 am - 4 pm

6333 W. 3rd St.

HISTORIC CULTURAL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING

2nd Tuesday of every month | 6PM

Casa Italiana

1051 North Broadway

HISTORIC CORE FARMERS MARKET

Every Sunday | 9 am - 2 pm

5th street between Broadway and Spring Street/2 blocks from Pershing Sq Metro Station

The WALL FOOD + FLOWERS + FARMERS MARKET

Every Saturday | 9 am - 2 pm

The Heart of the Los Angeles Flower District on Wall Street between 7th & 8th

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